

John Blair to Henry Lee, May 4, 1758, Orders, Letters to Washington and Accompanying Papers. Published by the Society of the Colonial Dames of America. Edited by Stanislaus Murray Hamilton.

FROM PRESIDENT BLAIR TO THE LIEUTENANT OF PRINCE WILLIAM COUNTY

SIR,—As the Law directs the Forts to be garrisoned by the Militia in the absence of the Forces belonging to the Regiment, I do therefore by Virtue of the Power and Authority with which I am invested as Commander in Chief hereby require and Command you to Raise and send one Hundred men of your Militia under the Command of two Captains 2 Lieutenants. 2 Ensigns & 6 Sergeants, with 2 Drums to Garrison Fort Loudoun at Winchester to continue there till the 20th of December next or the Return of the Regiment and you are immediately to return to me an Acct. of your proceeding Herein with the names of the Officers and soldiers sent on the service aforesaid.

Given under my hand this 4th day of May 1758 (Signed) JOHN BLAIR, P.

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